Improving Student Learning at Scale

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Take-aways

* We are not going to slow/stop current work to create a shared definition of College and Career Training Readiness
* Need to develop a common “vision” or picture of how the pieces of work and roles fit together
* Importance of understanding and aligning the various efforts relating to the Common Core State Standards
* Focus of our ISLS grant work:
  + High School and Beyond Plan
  + High School transition courses
  + Dual credit courses

Next 6 months

* Recommendations for use of the 11th grade SBAC as a college-readiness indicator (exemption from remediation)
* Honing communications plan and cross-mapping with other efforts
* Convening K-12 and higher ed math and ELA faculty to begin design of transition courses (possible College Spark funding)
* Watch for possible legislation related to graduation requirements: CTE equivalencies in math and science; transitional math course – how does this fit with the graduation requirements?

Immediate next steps

* Schedule future meetings; need representation from each partner agency
* December meeting, refine plans for next 6 months

Immediate next step for communications

* December 19 meeting, 1 hour for communications; discussion, feedback, sharing of communication strategies and ReadyWA work